

REMARKS

Examiner's comments in the Office Action dated January 2, 2008 have been read and carefully considered by Applicants. In view of such comments, Applicants have amended the present Application as set forth hereinabove. In particular, both the specification and the claims of the Application have been amended so as to more clearly set forth and better highlight Applicants' invention. In so amending the specification and claims, however, Applicants maintain that no new matter has been impermissibly introduced into the present Application.

Amendments to the Specification:

In the present Amendment, Applicants have amended original paragraphs 0001, 0002, 0011, 0013, 0014, and 0015 in the written specification of the Application. (See amended paragraphs of the specification as set forth hereinabove.) In general, these paragraphs in the specification have largely been amended so as to merely correct punctuation, grammar, or spelling errors and also help improve overall textual clarity in the Application. Therefore, in making such amendments to the specification, Applicants maintain that no new matter has been impermissibly added to the present Application. In view of such, Applicants respectfully request that the amendments to the specification be entered by Examiner.

Amendments to the Claims:

Also, in the present Amendment, Applicants have amended claims 1-20. In general, the amendments to claims 1-20 are merely intended to better clarify the claims and thereby facilitate a reader's proper understanding of the subject matter set forth in the claims. Thus, the substantive subject matter and overall scope of the claims, in general, have not been changed by the claim amendments proposed herein by Applicants. In view of such, Applicants respectfully request that the amendments to claims 1-20 be entered by Examiner.

Objection to the Specification:

In the Office Action, Examiner objected to paragraph 0001 in the specification for not properly referencing (i.e., citing) the application serial number of another United States patent application that is related to the present Application.

In response, Applicants have herein amended paragraph 0001 of the specification so as to properly include the application serial number of the related United States patent application for referencing purposes. (See amended paragraph 0001 of the specification as set forth hereinabove.) In view of amending paragraph 0001 of the specification as such, Applicants respectfully request that Examiner's objection to the specification be withdrawn.

Allowable Subject Matter:

Also, in the Office Action, Examiner indicated that the subject matter set forth in claims 1-20 is allowable.

In response, Applicants would like to sincerely thank Examiner.

CONCLUSION

In view of the specification and claims as amended hereinabove and also the foregoing remarks, Applicants respectfully submit that the specification and claims now properly comply with all statutory requirements. Therefore, Applicants respectfully request that Examiner's objection(s) in the Office Action be withdrawn and that a Notice of Allowance be issued for all claims 1-20.

Also, together with this Amendment, a "Petition for an Extension of Time" (1 month) along with appropriate fee is being submitted. Receipt and entry thereof by Examiner is respectfully requested by Applicants.

Lastly, should Examiner have any questions with respect to any matter now of record, Examiner is invited to contact Applicants' undersigned attorney at (248) 433-7200.

Respectfully submitted,

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